The Hong Kong Daily Press.

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Announcements.

SONS EMERY and BLACK LEAD MILLS, 8 ROAD, LONDON, ENGLAND.

ELLINGTON KNIFE POLISH, 3d. each; tins, 6d., 1s., 2s. 6d.

INDIA RUBBER KNIFE S, from 1s. 6d. each.

SILVERSMITHS' SOAP N MERCURIAL).

and Polishing Silver, Electro-Glass, Marble, &c., Tablets, 6d. each.

GENUINE EMERY, GRAIN AND FLOUR.

EMERY AND GLASS CLOTH.

CABINET GLASS PAPER, LACK LEAD, &c.

GOODS SOLD EVERY by Ironmongers, Oilmen, Grocers, Druggists; &c. [1757 3ii

IN MOIR & SON, ED PROVISION MANUFACTURERS AND EXPORT OILMEN, ABERDEEN.

cial Appointment to H.R.H. the Duke ply of the Sandwich, Soups, Fish, Tongues, Bacon, Hams, Tongues, Cheese, ord Sausages, Potted Meats, and Fish, Jams, Jellies, and Orange Marmalade, ce, Tart Fruits, Table Jellies, Mushroom ils, Vinegars, Baking Powder, &c. ts for the Sole Disposal of the OF EDINBURGH'S SAUCE.

ed that some of our Goods are rather than other manufacturers, but in the end the cheapest, being all of superior quality, ur Soups, a 1-lb. tin of which, with the ual quantity of water, will make two pounds of rich Soup. [Dec. 1

ECTION OF PREPARED COCOA. ILLA COCOA

ers—TAYLOR BROTHERS, London.

OA (or CACAO) of MARACAIBO is the THEOBROMA of LINNÆUS. COCOA South America, of which Maracaibo is Taylor Brothers having secured the y of the unrivalled Cocoa, have, in the ffered it to public friends and dabblers ed that it is not only mainly the perfection ion, that it is and only secured the pre- sympathy and cocoa leaders generally, have ly Brothers a fortunate preparation from ter one kind, adapted the Maracaibo Cocoa ed beverage for breakfast, lunch, or dinner. [Dec.

Quotations.

As Reported by Chinese on the 11th February, 1870.)

COTTON GOODS.

COTTON YARN, No. 16 a 24.. per picul	$120.00 a $145.00	
" 28 a 32.. "	150.00 a 160.00	
" 38 a 42.. "	185.00 a 190.00	
GREY SHIRTINGS, 7 a 7½ lbs.... per piece	$2.47 a 2.55	
8 a 8½ lbs.... "	2.75 a 2.85	
9 a 10 lbs.... "	3.27 a 3.35	
WHITE SHIRTINGS, 64 a 66 reed.. "	2.73 a 2.83	
64 a 66 .. "	3.15 a 3.25	
68 a 72 .. "	3.22 a 3.30	
WHITE SPOTTED DO.... "	2.45 a 2.60	
WHITE BROCADES.... "	3.00 a 4.55	
AMERICAN DRILLS, 30 yards.... "	3.85 a 5.25	
40 .. "	2.60 a 2.90	
GREY T-CLOTHS, 24 yds. & 32 lbs. "	2.15 a 2.72	
24 .. & 36 .. "	3.05 a 3.10	
DYED SPOTTED SHIRTINGS.... "	4.00 a 3.10	
DYED BROCADE Do.... "	4.55 a 4.70	
DYED DAMASK Do.... "	2.10 a 2.82	
CHINTZ.... "	Dos 0.71 a 0.75	
HANDKERCHIEFS, Blue.... "	0.58 a 0.72	
" Brown.... "	1.00 a 1.20	
" Red.... "	0.45 a 0.55	
VELVETS, Black, 22 inch.... per yard	0.23 a 0.25	
" Genoa, 22 .. "	0.27 a 0.27	
VELVETEENS, Black.... "		

WOOLLEN GOODS.

SPANISH STRIPES.... per yard	1.35 a 1.65	
LONG ELLS, M'M Scarlet.... per piece	7.40 a 7.90	
" Assorted.... "	7.30 a 7.50	
" HM Scarlet.... "	7.20 a 7.40	
" HM Assorted.... "	7.40 a 7.60	
CAMLETS, SS.... "	14.50 a 14.90	
" SS.... "	15.50 a 16.81	
" S.... "	16.00 a 16.40	
" D.... "	17.00 a 18.00	
" DDD.... "	20.00 a 21.00	
LATINES.... "	15.00 a 15.50	

METALS.

IRON, Nail Rod Nos. 1 & 8.... per picul	2.00 a 2.50	
" Hoop.... "	2.65 a 3.00	
" Bar.... "	2.25 a 2.50	
" Small Round Rod.... "	2.50 a 2.55	
" Wire.... "	6.00 a 7.20	
LEAD, large.... "	6.50 a 6.60	
SHEET, English.... per lb.	4.16 a 4.50	
" Swedish.... "	4.25 a 4.30	
TIN, Malacca.... per picul	$19.00 a $20.00	
TIN PLATES, assorted.... per box	6.20 a 6.30	
SPELTER OR METAL.... per picul	22.50 a 23.50	
QUICKSILVER.... "	61.00 a 62.50	
SPELTER.... "	5.90 a 5.75	

PRODUCE.

COTTON, Shanghai.... per picul	24.00 a 24.50	
" Ningpo.... "	25.50 a 26.00	
" Tientsin.... "	24.00 a 24.50	
" Shantung.... "	26.00 a 26.50	
" Bengal.... "	16.00 a 25.00	
RICE, Bengal, Cargo No. 1.... per picul	1.58 a 1.65	
" " 2.... "	1.55 a 1.60	
" Siam, common.... "	1.30 a 1.35	
" " fair.... "	1.55 a 1.60	
" " white.... "	1.41 a 1.50	
" Manilas.... "	1.42 a 1.50	
" Java.... "	1.38 a 1.40	
" Singapore.... "	1.50 a 1.55	
" Saigon.... "	1.50 a 1.53	
" Tarakan.... "	1.45 a 1.50	
" Amoyan.... "	1.45 a 1.55	
" Rangoon.... "	5.90 a 5.75	
SUGAR, Manila.... per cwt.		
COAL, Australian.... per ton.	10.00 a 11.00	
" English steam.... "	11.00 a 11.00	
" Japanese, Anthracite.... "	8.00 a 8.00	
" Sydney.... "	3.16 a 3.30	
WIDOW GLASS.... per box.		
STRAITS PRODUCE, &c.		
RATTANS, Straits.... per pcl.	4.70 a 5.50	
" Bangkok.... "	3.80 a 4.50	
PEPPER, White.... per lb.	13.50 a 13.50	
" Black.... "	9.00 a 9.45	
BEWE NUT.... "	1.85 a 2.45	
SAPAN WOOD, Manila.... "	4.30 a 4.65	
" South Sea.... "	7.10 a 8.20	
" Siam.... "	1.60 a 2.10	
FLOUR, California, per sack of 50 lbs.	1.95 a 2.00	
" American, imported of 200 lbs.	6.00 a 6.50	
WHEAT, Bombay.... per picul	1.75 a 1.85	
" California.... "	2.25 a 2.15	
RICE, Cargo white, No. 1.... "	6.35 a 7.05	
" " 2.... "	4.80 a 5.50	
" Dt. Brown.... "	3.50 a 3.90	
" West Coast, Dt. Brown.... "	4.00 a 5.30	
" Manila, Dry White.... "	3.60 a 4.00	
" " Dt. Brown.... "	16.00 a 16.50	
PAKMANG, packed.... "	1.05 a 1.30	
TEA, White.... "	1.95 a 2.30	
" Green.... "	2.50 a 2.00	
" Black.... "	2.00 a 2.10	
SUGAR, Low.... "	43.00 a 52.00	
MUSHROOMS, Japan.... "	5.80 a 6.00	
SEAWEED, Green.... "	7.00 a 8.00	
" Cut.... "	7.25 a 8.55	
MEDICINE, Dry Stag Horns.... "	5.80 a 5.50	
" Antlers.... "	8.45 a 7.60	
VERMICELLI.... "	42.50 a 48.50	
BIRD'S NEST, Japan.... "	220.00 a 230.00	
" Bankok.... "	1.80 a 1.75	
ALUM.... "	4.70 a 5.70	
SAGAMUTS, Japan white.... "	3.65 a 4.60	
" Black.... "		

Arrivals.

Feb. 12, TRAVANCORE, Brit. str., 1,185, C. H. Eastly, Bombay 21st Jan., Galle 27th, Penang 2nd February, and Singapore 6th, General—P. & O. Co.

Feb. 12, SIN NANTING, Brit. str., 722, Drage, Canton 12th February, General.—JOHN BURD & Co.

Feb. 12, H.M. g.b. COCKCHAFER, Lieut. S. S. Smith, from Macao.

Feb. 12, CARRICK CASTLE, Brit. sh., 679, Peters, Shanghai 8th February, Ballast. BARRETT & Co.

Departures.

Feb. 12, CHINA, str., for Yokohama and San Francisco.

Feb. 12, MARS, str., Amoy.

Feb. 12, COURIER, str., for Whampoa.

Feb. 12, SATURNUS, for Saigon.

Feb. 12, NORMAN COURT, for Saigon.

Feb. 12, SUNDA, str., for Yokohama.

Feb. 12, HAINAN, str., for Shanghai.

Feb. 13, H.C.M.S. CIRCE, for Manila.

Clearances.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE, FEBRUARY 12TH.

Allendale, for Foochow.

Mars, str., for Amoy.

Passengers.

Per *Tennyson*, str., from Bombay, &c.—

For Hongkong.

From Southampton.—Mesars. J. C. Pendered, C. E. York, J. Milne and W. Thompson.

From Marseilles.—Messrs. J. Noble, C. W. Orne, W. Gale and J. F. Callaghan.

From Suez.—Mr. C. Moller.

From Bombay.—Messrs. Franjee D. Mistree and 2 servants.

From Penang.—One Native on deck.

From Singapore.—Mr. and Mrs. Grunebond, Messrs. A. R. Crosse, J. Campbell, G. E. Sherwood, B. J. Caldbeck, Capt. Purvis, R.N., and 5 Natives or deck.

For Shanghai.

From Southampton.—Sergeant Crack, Constable Quarry and wife, Constable Croft and wife.

For Yokohama.

From Marseilles.—Mr. Russell Robertson.

Per *Sin Nanting*, str. from Canton.

25 Chinese.

Per *China*, str., from Yokohama and San Francisco.—

For San Francisco.—Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin and child, Messrs. Lulmage, B. J. Whittaker, U.S.N., H. C. Kleppingburg, E. W. Graves, Thomas Dawson, F. D. Brenner, W. S. Vermes, George Robinson, R. S. Hill, C. Bagwell, Geo. H. Brett, John Hosie, Capt. Harry Miles and 722 Chinese.

For New York.—Messrs. H. L. Emery, Edward Harrison and George Elgutts.

For Liverpool.—Mr. Richard Espejo y Chepparo.

For Southampton.—Mr. N. B. Downes.

For Yokohama.—Messrs. Forbers, J. M. dos Santos, Francisco Pluiss, Jono Rozario and 14 Chinese.

Reports.

The British steamer *Travancore* left Bombay on the 21st Jan.; had light winds and fine weather so far Cape Comorin; thence to Galle fresh Easterly winds and equally weather. Arrival at Galle on the 25th at 6 P.M. Detained coaling until midnight of the 26th. Left Galle on the 27th, fresh N.W. winds and equally weather so far as Pulo Rondo, thence to Penang light and fine weather. Arrived at Penang on the 2nd instant at 9 A.M. Left Penang on the 2nd at 3 P.M., light variable winds and fine weather throughout. Arrived at Singapore on the 4th instant at 8.30 A.M. Left Singapore at 8 A.M. on the 5th, and experienced moderate N.E. winds and fine weather until reaching 13 N., when strong monsoon was found, attended with heavy sea.

Vessels Expected at Hongkong.

(Corrected to Date).

Vessels.	From.	Date.
Willy Pieterfe.....	Gravesend.....	Aug. 1
Italia.....	Havana.....	Sept. 11
M. de St. Aldegonde	Cardiff.....	Sept. 24
Veritas.....	Liverpool.....	Oct. 2
Triton.....	Cardiff.....	Oct. 3
Ellenborough.....	Gravesend.....	Oct. 8
Devonshire.....	Hamburg.....	Oct. 19
Mathilde.....	Cardiff.....	Oct. 23
Leda.....	Penarth.....	Oct. 25
Wohldorf.....	Hamburg.....	Oct. 27
Tonbridge.....	Gravesend.....	Oct. 30
Isles of the South	Gravesend.....	Oct. 30
Olsen.....	Cardiff.....	Oct. 31
Kronprindessen.....	Swansea.....	Oct. 31
Sunshine.....	Clyde.....	Nov. 3
Catherina.....	Hamburg.....	Nov. 11
Devonshire.....	Chatham.....	Nov. 12
Penguin.....	Hamburg.....	Nov. 16
Teiteing.....	Gravesend.....	Nov. 20
Sir Lancelot.....	Gravesend.....	Nov. 20
Sunshine, (s).....	Clyde.....	Nov. 20
Maximilia, (s).....	Trautmann & Co	Nov. 23
Belted Will.....	Gravesend.....	Nov. 23
Hydra.....	Hamburg.....	Dec. 3
Eastern Isles, (s)...	Clyde.....	Dec. 8
Professor.....	Penarth.....	Dec. 9
Guinevere.....	Gravesend.....	Dec. 20
Black Prince.....	Gravesend.....	Dec. 20
Martin.....	Cardiff.....	Dec. 21
Dorlwen.....	Grave s d.....	Dec. 23
Wm. Miller, (s).....	Gravesend.....	Dec. 30

Auction Sale To-day.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Benches, Wine, &c.

NOW READY, PRICE ONE DOLLAR.

THIS "*Daily Press*" RACE BOOK, for 1870, compiled from the Official List of Entries. To be had at the various Stores and at the *Daily Press* Office.

Hongkong, 26th January, 1870.

NOW READY.

NORONHA & SONS' POCKET RACE BOOKS for 1870.

Neatly bound in Cloth, with Pencils attached, and containing:—

Complete Lists of Entries;

Blank Pages for Noting Bets;

Four Sets of Tables for Sweeps; and

A quantity of Blank Tables also for Sweeps.

Price, $1 each.

The above may be relied on as *perfectly correct*, the programmes of each Race, &c., being in every respect similar to those in the Official List published by the Race Committee.

NORONHA & SONS.

1f 169 Hongkong, 25th January, 1870.

RACES! RACES!! RACES!!!

SAYLE & Co.

HAVE received, ex Mail Steamer, *Normandie*, *Court* and *Achilles*:

MILLINERY,

BONNETS, HATS,

AND

FANCY SILKS,

suitable for the Races,

ALSO,

KID GLOVES,

in all Colors, in their well known makes.

A large assortment of

GENTLEMEN'S SCARVES,

in the newest styles.

LONG-CLOTH SHIRTS

LINEN AND PAPER COLLARS,

in every shape and size.

DRAB SHELL AND FELT HATS,

AND

BLUE AND GREEN GOSSAMERS.

291 Hongkong, 10th February, 1870.

Bank.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL—5,000,000 Dollars.

Court of Directors.—

Chairman—H. B. LEMANN, Esq.

Deputy Chairman—HORSE. J. B. TAYLOR.

E. E. Bellios, Esq.	Julius Mentz, Esq.
W. H. Forbes, Esq.	Thomas Reks, Esq.
George F. Heard, Esq.	Hobbs, E. Ferrel.
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A. Tocas, Esq.	

Managers.—

Hongkong—Victor Kresser, Esq.

Chief Manager.

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London Bankers—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits—

For 3 months 2 per cent. per annum.

" 6 " 2½ " " "

" 12 " 3 " " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED

Credits—granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts—granted on London, and the chief commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

VICTOR KRESSER, *Chief Manager.*

Offices of the Corporation,

No. 1, Queen's Road East.

1f 1062] Hongkong, 1st January, 1869.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND declared for the year ending on 31st December last, at the rate of Twelve per cent. per annum, say, $7.50 per paid-up Share of $125, and $3 per Share on which $50 have been paid, is payable on and after THURSDAY, the 10th instant, at the Offices of the Corporation, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By order of the Board of Directors,

VICTOR KRESSER,

Chief Manager.

1f 238 Hongkong, 4th February, 1870.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE CORPORATION. A.D. 1720.

ABSTRACT

OF A

GENERAL BALANCE SHEET,

AND PARTICULARS OF THE

LIFE DEPARTMENT,

On the 31st December, 1868.

Offices:

No. 7, ROYAL EXCHANGE, E.C., & No. 7, PALL MALL, S.W.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE was incorporated by Royal Charters in the year 1720 and 1721, for effecting MARINE, FIRE, and LIFE ASSURANCE. By the terms of the Charters and a subsequent Act of Parliament, the total Capital of the Corporation and all its assets collectively are applicable to discharge all Claims without distinction.

The following is an abstract of the General Balance Sheet of the Corporation on 31st December, 1868:—

	£	s.	d.
Subscribed Capital $2966,550, of which is paid-up.....	445,275	0	0
General Reserve Fund.....	295,538	2	6
Balance of Profit and Loss.....	105,474	3	5
Marine and Fire Insurance Funds, consisting of Premiums in hand in excess of settlements.....	313,098	9	0
Life Assurance Funds, consisting of Premiums in hand with accumulated interest in excess of settlements.....	1,391,159	1	5
	£2,453,533	17	4
Life Claims admitted and in course of payment.....	32,699	0	10
Annuities unpaid, and sundry outstanding Accounts.....	6,397	16	0
	39,096	16	10
	£2,502,540	14	2
British Government Securities	691,268	13	2
Mortgages.....	1,214,616	14	4
Indian Debentures, and Railway and other British Debentures.....	445,275	0	0
Sundry other Investments.....	21,842	3	5
Cash at Bankers and on Deposit, and Bills receivable.....	99,403	16	1
	£2,471,905	7	0
Premiums and Interest due and in course of collection.....	30,635	7	2
	£2,502,540	14	2

By the above abstract, it will be seen that the Corporation has Funds in hand amounting to £2,453,533 17s. 4d. to meet all its unascertained liabilities.

LIFE DEPARTMENT.

The LIFE ASSURANCE FUNDS result from the accumulation at compound interest of the Life Premiums, after payment of the Claims and other outgoings of this Department.

The LIFE BUSINESS is carried on in three distinct Series, which are worked independently; and the following are the results of the last valuation thereof,—

Date of Valuation.	Series.	Sums Assured.	Annual Revenue.	Life Assurance Fund.	Estimated Value of Bonus.	Surplus.
31st Dec., 1867..	Old..	1,334,878 / 2,400 Annuities	42,661	660,922	641,710	50,373
1st Nov. as to 31st Dec., 1868	1831..	1,209,189	40,856	674,554	4,159	100,445
31st Dec., 1868..	1869..	1,833,910 / 60,422 Annuities	61,837	390,127	270,406	104,123

These valuations are made on the following principles, viz.:—The Old Series by the 17 Offices' experience Mortality, at Four per Cent. Interest; the two other Series, by the Government Annuitants' Mortality, at Three per Cent. Interest. In all cases the Net Premiums only have been taken into account.

On 31st December, 1868, there were in force Life Policies for..... £4,804,499

Annual Premiums in 1868 £120,083

Interest in 1868 ..... £4,560

Total Income of this Department..... £124,643

Further information may be obtained at the Head Office of the Corporation—7, ROYAL EXCHANGE.

1f 269] HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

HONGKONG RACE FUND, 1870.

THE Subscription List of the above Fund is now lying at the Hongkong Club.

Tickets of Admission to the Stands can be obtained from the undersigned, on and after the 12th February.

Grand Stand for the Meeting 55, each,

New Stand do. $32, each.

E. A. ARTHUR,

Hon. Treasurer.

1f 286 Hongkong, 4th February, 1870.

Intimations.

THE VICTORIA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HONGKONG, LIMITED.

CAPITAL $1,500,000, IN 3,000 SHARES OF $500 EACH.

PAID UP CAPITAL $900,000.

(OF WHICH ONE-HALF, OR 1,500 SHARES, HAVE ALREADY BEEN APPLIED FOR.)

Provisional Board of Directors.—

W. H. FORBES, Esq., (Messrs. Russell & Co.)

S. D. SASSOON, Esq., (Messrs. David Sassoon, Sons & Co.)

J. F. BURRY, Esq. (Messrs. Eduljee Framjee, Sons & Co.)

HERMANN MELCHERS, Esq., (Messrs. Melchers & Co.)

B. DELBANCO, Esq. (Comptoir D'Escompte de Paris.)

AUGUSTINE HEARD, Esq., (Messrs. Augustine Heard & Co.)

Bankers.

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Auditors.—

F. W. MITCHELL, Esq.

MATTHEW W. BOYD, Esq.

(Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China.)

Head Office,—

HONGKONG.

General Agents,—

MESSRS. AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.

FIFTY Dollars per Share payable on allotment, and Fifty Dollars per Share payable on the first day of September next.

The Company will be registered with Limited Liability, under "The Companies Ordinance, 1865." The Memorandum of Association and the Articles of Association can be seen at the Office of the General Agents, on and after the 18th February.

The Company will commence business on the first day of March, 1870.

Applications for Shares to be in the annexed form, forwarded under cover to the General Agents.

Of the remaining 1,500 Shares, 500 will be reserved for China, Manila and Japan, and applications received for them until the 15th day of March. Applications for the other 1,000 Shares will be received until the 25th instant, immediately after which the allotment of such Shares will be made by the Directors. The allotment of the 500 reserved for China, Manila and Japan will be made on or before the 18th day of March.

An application for Shares, followed by an allotment thereupon, will constitute the applicant a Shareholder in the Company.

The Capital and Funds of the Company will be entirely under the control of the Board, and invested in such manner as the Directors may determine upon.

Interest at the rate of 12 per centum per annum will be paid to Shareholders upon the amount paid up from the date of payment, and will be payable half-yearly, forming a first charge upon the profits of the Company. Twenty per centum of the profits of the Company (after deducting such interest) will be distributed annually as a Bonus among contributing Shareholders, proportionately to the amount of premia paid by them. The remainder of the profits of the Company will be applied to the formation and maintenance of a Reserve Fund, until the same reaches the amount of $150,000. When the Reserve Fund shall have reached that amount, 50 per centum of the profit remaining, after paying the interest to Shareholders, will be carried to Reserve Fund, until it shall be restored to $150,000, by other 50 per centum of such profit being paid as General Dividend to the Shareholders. After the Reserve Fund amounts to $250,000, the interest and Bonus will be paid as previously and of the profit 30 per centum carried to Reserve Fund until the same reaches the sum of $1,000,000; the other 50 per centum of such profit being distributed as General Dividend to the Shareholders. After this, the whole of the profits remaining, after payment of the said interest and bonus (subject to the maintenance of the Reserve Fund at $1,000,000), will be divided among the Shareholders as General Dividend.

Accounts to be taken, and Bonus and Dividend declared, annually.

The object of the Company is to endeavour to obtain and secure that portion of the Fire Insurance business of the Colony, China, Manila and Japan, which at present goes to what may be called Foreign Insurance Companies, having only Agencies out here, and the Shareholders in which are in no way interested or concerned in the trade which so largely contributes to their profits. The existing Local Offices, The "Hongkong," cannot take all the business offering, and experience has shown not only that there is a very large amount of such business to be obtained, but also the great inconvenience and even risk to which insurers are sometimes exposed from inability to cover the required amount on premises upon which, or their contents, the Local Office may already have a full risk.

It is believed that satisfactory arrangements will be come to in conjunction with the other Local Office, not only for securing business, but also for strengthening the existing arrangements for prevention against and protection from fire.

Forms of application can be obtained from the General Agents.

Hongkong, 5th February 1870.

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR SHARES.

To the Directors of the

VICTORIA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HONGKONG, LIMITED.

GENTLEMEN,—I request you to allot to me Shares of $500 each in the above Company; and I agree to accept that or any less number that may be allotted to me, and to pay the calls thereon; and I authorize you to place my name on the Register of Shareholders for the Shares allotted.

Usual Signature.....

Name in full.....

Address in full.....

Date.....

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RACES!

COSMOPOLITAN REFRESHMENT PAVILION.

BY the kind permission of the authorities, Mr EDMUND R. HOLMES has erected the Pavilion at the Southern extremity of the Inclosure for the accommodation of Subscribers to the Race Fund for 1870, and for the Public. Admittance from the Grand Stand Enclosure free.

Entrance for the Public from the Road (by ticket only).

Tickets of Admission to the Pavilion and Cosmopolitan Stand, including Tiffin each day, $1; to be had at the Hongkong Hotel.

Tiffin from 1 to 2 p.m.

Refreshments, Wines, Beer, and Spirits of the best quality.

Private Tiffin Rooms can be engaged by applying to the proprietor.

For the convenience of Visitors a Telegraph will be placed facing the Cosmopolitan Stand, announcing the numbers of the Horses starting for each race. The winner will be posted within half-a-minute of the Judge's decision.

Every attention will be given by the proprietor to the comfort and convenience of his guests, as he is determined to merit the continuance of the patronage which was so liberally accorded him on former occasions.

N.B.—Ladies unaccompanied by gentlemen not admitted.

1f 238 Hongkong, February 5th, 1870.

WANTED.—Employment by a Gentleman who understands shipping and the general routine of an Office. Address M., *Daily Press* Office.

1f 115 Hongkong, 19th January, 1870.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, at the Godowns of Messrs. RUSSELL & Co., *Praya*,

THIS DAY,

the 14th February, at 12 o'clock,—

25 Bbls. Preserved PEARS.

15 Bales Valdivia LEATHER.

10 Bales Manila HEMP, more or less damaged.

A few Cases of ARMS.

Also,

100 Cases Chili WINE, if not previously disposed of.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

860 Hongkong, 12th February, 1870.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Sales Rooms, *Queen's Road*,

TO-MORROW,

the 15th instant, at 2 P.M.—

A choice collection of Japanese IVORY, LACQUERED and PORCELAIN WARE, comprising Inlaid Ivory BOXES, Lacquered TRAYS, TABLES, CHAIRS, CABINETS, Glove BOXES, Fancy BOXES, Porcelain JARS, VASES, Flower POTS, LANTERNS, FANS, BRONZES, &c., &c., &c.

The whole will be on view on Monday, at 2 o'clock.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7. The Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

299 Hongkong, 12th February, 1870.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

FURNITURE SALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, at No. 5, *Seymour Terrace*, the residence of F. H. A. ARMSTRONG, Esq., R.A.G.G., on

TUESDAY NEXT,

the 17th instant, at 2 P.M.—

The whole of the elegant HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, comprising Dining TABLE and CHAIRS, SIDEBOARD, WHATNOTS, GLASSWARE, Dinner and Dessert SERVICES, Electro Plated WARE, DOUCHES, Centre and Occasional TABLES, PICTURES, CARPET, LAMPS, BEDSTEADS, WARDROBES, CHESTS OF DRAWERS, Overal GLASS, TOILET TABLE and MIRROR, Shanghai Bath TUBS, &c., &c.

A Semi-Grand PIANO.

A Choice selection of Classical and other BOOKS.

A number of framed Oil PAINTINGS, PHOTOGRAPHS, and other PICTURES.

On view the morning of sale.

TERMS OF SALE—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7. All lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

295 Hongkong, 11th February, 1870.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, in their New Show-room *Queen's Road*, on

FRIDAY NEXT,

the 18th instant, at 3 P.M.—

An Invoice of very superior GLASSWARE, comprising *Cut Glass* Sherry, Port, Claret, Champagne, Liquor, Custard, Jelly, Ginger, and Green Hock GLASSES, TUMBLERS, and Soda-water Tumblers, GOBLETS, Flat, Quart, and Claret DECANTERS, Sugars, Salt CELLARS, Dessert DISHES, &c., &c., &c.

VASES, Biscuit BOXES, Centre PIECES, Flower STANDS, Toilette BOTTLES, Sardine BOXES, STATUETTES, Ice and other JUGS, Cheese STANDS, &c., &c., &c.

The whole will be on view on Wednesday, the 16th.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

311 Hongkong, 14th February, 1870.

WINE AUCTION.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have been instructed to sell Public Auction, in their Sales Room, *Queen's Road*, on

SATURDAY,

the 19th instant, at 2 P.M.—

108 Cases Superior WINES, comprising Moet & Chandon's CHAMPAGNE, Amontillado and Pale SHERRY, PORT, CLARET, &c., &c., &c.

A few cases Sickel's, Orange, Wine, an other BITTERS.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

312 Hongkong, 14th February, 1870.

NOTICE.

THE Partnership between CHARLES HENRY MORGAN and EDWARD NORTON, under the style of MORGAN, LAMBERT & Co., expires this day by lapse of time.

Mr. H. MORGAN will sign the firm in liquidation.

MORGAN, LAMBERT & Co.

1f 156 Hongkong, 31st January, 1870.

MR. EDWARD NORTON will carry on, in his own name, the Godown and Storage business (lately MORGAN, LAMBERT & Co.'s), and also that of Merchant and Commission Agent.

No. 4, Praya,

22nd January, 1870. [1f 157

NOTICE.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agent for the above Insurance Company, is prepared to grant Policies covering Marine risks at Current Rates. Policies can be made payable at all the principal ports throughout the world.

EDW. NORTON,

Agent.

1f 240 Hongkong, 3rd February, 1870.

THE QUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY.

CAPITAL,—TWO MILLION STERLING.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agent for the above Company at this port, is prepared to grant Policies against Fire, to the extent of £10,000, on Buildings or on Goods stored therein.

EDWARD NORTON.

1f 241 Hongkong, 22nd January, 1870.

NOTICE.

THE QUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE following rates will be charged in future for SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding 10 days..	½ of the annual rate.
Not exceeding 1 month..	do. do.
Above 1 month and not exceeding 3 months..	do. do.
Above 3 months and not exceeding 6 months..	do. do.

EDWARD NORTON,

Agent the Queen Insurance Company.

1f 242 Hongkong, 22nd January, 1870.

NOTICE.

NEITHER the Captain nor the Agents of the Dutch barque *Helena Marietta*, will be responsible for any debt contracted by the officers or crew of the said vessel.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,

Agents.

1f 179 Hongkong, 27th January, 1870.

Intimations.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

IT is proposed to form a Company under the above name, with a Capital of

2,000,000 DOLLARS,

IN 4,000 SHARES OF 500 DOLLARS EACH.

Fifty Dollars to be paid up on allotment, and Fifty Dollars six months after registration of the Company.

Directors—

The Honble. H. B. GIBB, of Messrs. Gibb, Livingston & Co.

The Honble. J. D. TAYLOR, of Messrs. Smith, Archer & Co.

E. A. HITCHCOCK, Esq., of Messrs. Olyphant & Co.

A. MACG. HEATON, Esq., of Messrs. Douglas Lapraik & Co.

EDWD. ARTHUR, Esq., of The Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China.

HEAD OFFICE AT HONGKONG.

N. J. EDE, Esq., *Secretary ad Interim.*

The object of the Company is to insure against Fire, Buildings, Merchandise and other Property, and generally to pursue all other business of Fire Insurance, in Hongkong, China, Japan, or elsewhere.

The Company will commence business as soon as the Shares have been allotted.

The Company will be registered under "The Company's Ordinance of 1865," with limited liability, and the Deed of Association is in course of preparation.

The Company will be a permanent one.

The Division of the Nett Profits will be as follows:—

Interest at the rate of 12 per cent. per annum on the amount of the paid-up Capital, and the balance carried to the Reserve Fund until the same shall have accumulated to the sum of $100,000. After which the Division of the Nett Profits will be as follows:—

Interest at the rate of 12 per cent. per annum on the paid-up Capital;

Bonus of 25 per cent. to contributing Shareholders, rateably in proportion to the amount of nett premia contributed; and

The Balance to the Reserve Fund, until the sum shall have accumulated to the sum of $500,000; after which the Nett Profits will be distributed in the manner following:—

Interest at the rate of 12 per cent. per annum on the paid-up Capital.

Bonus of 25 per cent. to contributing Shareholders, in proportion to their contributions, and of the remainder, one-half will be divided among the Shareholders, and one-half will be carried to the Reserve Fund until it shall have reached the sum of $1,000,000.

The Board of Directors will consist of not less than five, nor more than Seven, Shareholders, two of whom small retire annually, being, however, eligible for re-election.

The Funds will be in the hands of the Directors for investment, in such manner as they shall deem most advantageous for the interests of the Company.

Forms of application for Shares may be procured from the interim Secretary, at the temporary Offices of the Company, No. 2, D'Aguilar Street.

N. J. EDE,

Secretary ad interim.

FORM OF APPLICATION.

To the Directors of the

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

GENTLEMEN,—I hereby request that you will allot to Shares in the above named Company, and agree to accept such Shares, or any less number you may allot to, and to pay the first Call of $50 per Share on allotment, as well as any subsequent Calls that may be made, and to sign the Deed of Association whenever required to do so.

Your obedient Servant,

Full Name and Address of the Applicant—

1f 261 Hongkong, February 5th, 1870.

QUICK TIME AND CHEAP FARES!

FROM

CHINA AND JAPAN

TO

NEW YORK AND LIVERPOOL!

THE GREAT OVERLAND

Intimations.

THE CHINA-SEA, SAIGON, & STRAITS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL $600,000.
IN 6,000 SHARES OF $100 EACH.
$40 PER SHARE PAID-UP.

Directors:—
VISCOUNT DE CERCAL.
E. J. SAGE, Esq.
RICHARD DEACON, Esq.

A VERY large traffic exists between the Straits Settlements, Saigon and the Southern Ports of China, for which the present lines of Steam communication afford very inadequate accommodation, and this company has been organized with the view of supplying a need which has long been felt, especially by the Chinese Residents of the places indicated.

It is proposed to run a fortnightly line of Steamers between Hongkong, Saigon, and Singapore, in connection at Singapore with the steamers of the P. & O. S. N. Company, and very advantageous arrangements have been concluded with the French Authorities of Cochin-China, for the conveyance of the mails to and from Saigon. Extensions of this service are shortly contemplated.

Arrangements have also been made with the various lines of Coast Steamers for all the ports of China and Japan, for reciprocity in the carriage of freights and passengers, so that a painful and useless competition may be avoided.

The *Orlaff*, with the good will of her Owners, has been purchased, and is now running. Another large and powerful steamer will shortly be placed on the route.

The Company has been registered with Limited Liability, under the Companies Ordinance of 1865.

Five hundred and thirty thousand Dollars of the Capital of the Company have been already subscribed, including reservations for Saigon and Singapore, and, but 700 shares remain for allotment by the Directors in Hongkong. The First Call of $15 per Share is payable on allotment, and the Second Call of $25 per Share in three months thereafter.

The Articles of Association may be seen, and Forms of Application for Shares had, at the Office of the Undersigned, or at the Office of HENRY C. CARDWELL, Esq., Solicitor to the Company.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1870.

To the General Agents of
THE CHINA-SEA, SAIGON, & STRAITS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

GENTLEMEN,—I hereby request that the Directors will allot to me shares in the above company, and I agree to accept such shares, or any less number, which may be allotted to me, and to pay the Calls thereon to such amount, and at such times, and in such manner as may be authorized by the Articles of Association of the said company, and to subscribe the Articles of Association when called on to do so.

Item, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,
Name .....
Address .....
Date .....

tf 247 Hongkong, 4th February, 1870.

THE CHINA AND STRAITS STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL $500,000, IN 5,000 SHARES OF $100 EACH.
(Of which $110,000 is already Subscribed).

PRESENT BOARD OF DIRECTORS:—
EDWARD ARTHUR, Esq.,
(Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London, and China.)
JULIUS MINNING, Esq.,
(Messrs. Wm. Pustau & Co.)
GEORGE J. HELLAND, Esq.,
(Messrs. John Baird & Co.)

BANKERS.—
CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON, & CHINA.

HEAD OFFICE—
HONGKONG.
GENERAL AGENTS—
MESSRS. JOHN BAIRD & Co.
PROVISIONAL AGENTS:—
SINGAPORE—Messrs. Harrison, Smith & Co.
SWATOW—Messrs. Dircks & Co.
FOOCHOW—Messrs. John Forster & Co.
SAIGON—Messrs Wm. G. Hall & Co.
AMOY—Messrs. H. D. Brown & Co.
NINGPO—Richard Tyrer, Esq.
SHANGHAI—Messrs. Trautmann & Co.

TWENTY-FIVE Dollars per Share will be payable on the day of allotment, and twenty-five dollars per Share six months after that date, the remaining capital to be called up in small sums at such intervals as the Directors may deem expedient, but no further call shall be made until nine months after the payment of the second call.

The Company will be registered under "The Companies Ordinance, 1865" with Limited Liability, and the Memorandum and Articles of Association are in course of preparation. The Articles of Association will be ready for inspection, and copies procurable, at the Office of the General Agents, on and after the 25th instant.

The Board will consist of not less than three, nor more than five Directors, one of whom shall retire annually, being, however, eligible for re-election.

The Funds of the Company will be invested in such manner as may be determined on by the Directors.

So soon as a sufficient portion of the profits of the Company shall have been set aside to form a moderate Reserve Fund, the Directors have the discretionary power of returning to the Shareholders a bonus on the amount of Freight and Passage Money contributed by them, and the balance of profit will be annually divided between the Shareholders generally.

Until new Steamers are obtained from Europe, the Company will probably charter one or two vessels.

The object of the Company is steam navigation between the Straits and China, and on the Coast of China generally, but chiefly to run Steamers between

PENANG, SINGAPORE, SAIGON, HONGKONG, SWATOW, and AMOY, in connection with the North China Steamer Company, for

FOOCHOW, NINGPO, SHANGHAI, YANGTSZE PORTS, CHEFOO, TIENTSIN, and NEWCHWANG.

A number of the most influential Chinese and other merchants and bankers in the Straits have already subscribed for Shares in the Company, and the Directors have little doubt that they will be able to secure and retain the bulk of the freight and passage traffic between the Straits and Amoy, the terminus of the Company's Mail line.

Messrs. John Baird & Co. will act as General Agents for the first five years of the Company's operations.

Applications for the remaining $300,000 of the Capital will be received at the Office of the General Agents until the 31st day of March, 1870.

Applications for Shares must be in the form annexed, and be forwarded under cover to the General Agents, from whom forms of application can be obtained.

An application for Shares, followed by an allotment, will constitute the applicant a Shareholder in the Company, under the terms of the Company's Articles of Association.

Hongkong, February 3rd, 1870.

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR SHARES.

To the Directors of
THE CHINA AND STRAITS STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

GENTLEMEN,—I request you to allot to me Shares of $100 each in the above Company; and I agree to accept that or any less number that may be allotted to me, and to pay the calls thereon; and I authorize you to place my name on the Register of Shareholders for the Shares allotted.

Usual Signature .....
Name in full .....
Address in full .....
Date .....

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EASTLACK & WINN,
Dental Surgeons.

DR. WINN will leave Hongkong for Japan on or about the 1st of April next, to be absent 9 or 6 months, and therefore requests all persons desirous of consulting him Professionally, to do so at their earliest convenience.

tf 26 Hongkong, 1st February, 1870.

The Chronicle and Directory for 1870

NOW READY.

THE Edition for 1870 is now ready for Delivery.

As already announced, the Directory is published in Two Forms, Complete at $5, or with the Lists of Residents and Port Directories only, at $3.

Copies may be obtained at the *Daily Press* Office, and of the following Agents:—

MESSRS. DROWN & Co., Swatow.
" WILSON, NICHOLLS & Co., Amoy.
" REDGE & Co., Foochow.
" LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Shanghai.
" KELLY & Co., do.
" WACHTELS, GROOS & Co., Japan.
Mr. L. P. FISHER, Merchants' Exchange, San Francisco.

DEATH.

On the 28th December last, at Burnfield Lodge, Brixton, near London, in her 73rd year, MARY BUNNISS, the relict of FRANCIS PRICE, Esq., formerly of Lincoln's Inn.

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENT.

A letter has been received from J. C. H.; but cannot be inserted as his name and address do not accompany it.

The delivery of the *Daily Press* from this office commenced on Saturday morning at 10:00, and the last messengers left the office at 10:30.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, FEBRUARY 14TH, 1870.

THE *Times*, with that happy power of irreverence for which it is so celebrated, is veering round on the China question, and requires now but one turn more to be entirely at one with the China merchants, against whom it has so long been levelling its shafts. It goes so far as to admit the force of the arguments over and over again used in the China Press and in the Memorials sent home, concerning the futility of dealing with a country which does not fulfil the duties incumbent on the government of every nation, as an equal, but doubts "the expediency of persisting in a restless and invading policy." It has only now to recognise the undoubted fact that those, against whom it is arguing, have never advocated any such line of conduct, but have simply urged some reasonable pains being taken to maintain the rights already conceded, to entirely concur with the arguments that have been used on this side. Mr. BURLINGAME, who is an adept at all the minor arts of controversy, however much he may fail in the higher talent for debate, which at once seizes the turning points of a question, and scorns to misrepresent its true bearing, has cleverly contrived to divert attention from the real issue, by pretending that the views of the public in China go very much further in the direction of aggressiveness than he must know to be the case. All that has ever been demanded is that a firm stand should be made not to allow the concessions which have been granted to become of none effect; and it may fairly be hoped that the *Times* will, before long, recognise that this is not the advocacy of a "restless and invading" policy. The leading journal very ingeniously transmutes Mr. HART's recommendation to "leave China alone," into leaving her "to the potent influences of civilization." No doubt this nicely rounded period sounds better than the simple statement that China is to be left alone; but, when it is found that the "potent influences of civilization" have no effect except so far as the Chinese are induced by judiciously administered moral pressure to admit them, it may perhaps be at last discovered that those who believe in something more than the negative policy, which forms all that the BURLINGAME and HART school dare to advance, are not so wrong as the employés of the Native Government, who are paid handsome salaries to advocate one side of the Chinese question, are too prone to represent.

THERE seems to be very little question that, notwithstanding the retrogressive attitude which is assumed by the Representatives of Foreign interests in China with regard to their policy concerning the development of their trade and interests on the coast, that is, on this side of China, events are fast developing themselves on the other, that is, in the Western frontier. What is there seen is the large province of Yunan defected on the South; the provinces on the North, the scene of repeated disturbances; Indian trade and French influence seeking an entrance on the Southern frontier; Russian encroachment being steadily persisted in on the Northern frontier. Between the north and the south, Szechuen, Shansi and Kansuh, the three richest provinces in the Empire. There is enough in this to cause some alarm upon political grounds. While the integrity of the China is the watchword in the East, the Empire shows every sign of falling to pieces in the West; as in that direction, there seems at the present time to be no check upon the steady encroachments of Russia. A very great deal is spoken about the advances of Russia in Central Asia; but hardly any attention seems to be paid to her advances in the equally important direction of Eastern Asia. It is altogether overlooked that, since the conclusion of the Treaty of Tientsin and the residence of the foreign Representatives at the capital, Russia has annexed the whole Province of Ili on the North West, which was formerly a dependency of China; and that she has been for years pursuing an undisguised policy of annexation in that direction. It is impossible to overlook the plain fact that, within the next few years, precisely the same problem which has had to be solved on the Eastern side of China must be solved in the West; and that it has to be decided whether a policy of co-operation and steady progress can be substituted for what will inevitably result otherwise, namely, a scramble for the pieces of the decaying Empire. The influence of the now independent province of Yunan cannot be overestimated. It must infallibly result in increasing the weakness, already too plain, in the tenure which China has over her Western Provinces. Foreign influence is there pressing both to the North and to the South; and unless some strong and definite policy be adopted by China to consolidate her power in that direction, there can scarcely be any doubt as the ultimate result. These facts give great importance to the question, which has of late been so much discussed, of the extension of foreign trade through the upper Yangtsze into Szechuen. It is no exaggeration to say that the Chinese are far more interested in this being accomplished than any other people; as it would form a safeguard—probably the only one available—against foreign encroachment on the West. By taking a step in advance, China may secure to herself the influence of all foreign nations towards maintaining her empire, but, if she persists in confining foreign trade merely to the East Coast, she will be leaving Western border open her to encroachment and encouraging the dissolution of the empire in that direction. Under these circumstances, it seems strange that the Chinese cannot be roused into a sense of the necessity for progress. They must surely have seen the benefits, which have resulted from the establishment of relations with foreigners on this side of the Empire; and it might be thought that so obvious a means of consolidating their power in the West, as granting trading facilities to foreign nations generally, would not escape their notice. It is hardly to be conceived, if this point were properly pressed upon them, that they would not be willing to adopt a more progressive attitude. If they shut out the legitimate progress of foreign relations in the East, the result must infallibly follow that those relations will be forced upon them in the West, in a way that is almost certain to end in the disruption of the Empire. The Pekin officials simply cannot stay the progress of events in Western China; and they will act most unwisely if they obstinately shut their eyes to their undoubted significance.

The failure is announced of Mr. Henry H. Sayers, general merchant. His liabilities are roughly estimated at about £250,000, principally on bills which have been drawn against consignments to China, consisting of cotton and woollen goods. Mr. Sayers has been in business in London about two years.—*London and China Express.*

The route to be taken by Mr. Moss on his journey into the interior to obtain information for the Chamber of Commerce, has been decided upon. He is to go up the West River to Yunanfoo, and to return through Kwei chow, passing the capital of that Province. It is anticipated this journey will take six to eight months in being accomplished.

On Saturday, at 11.30 a.m., the shock of an earthquake was felt in several parts of the colony. A gentleman at East Point states that he heard a distinct rumbling noise for several seconds, and felt the whole house shake, and that he heard afterwards that the shock was felt in several other places at the same hour. It is considered as probable that Mauritius, being on the same axial line of earthquakes, may also have had shock.

The following account of the average amount of Bank Notes in circulation in Hongkong during the Month ending 31st January, 1870, is published in the *Government Gazette* of Saturday:—

Oriental Bank Corporation	$677,694
Char. Mer. Bank of India, London and China	690,473
Char. Bank of India, Australia and China	276,800
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation	1,298,851
Total	$2,943,708

SAIGON RICE MARKET.

Advices from Saigon are to the 5th instant. 150,000 piculs of Rice have been settled, the last prices paid was $1.65, deliverable in thirty-five to forty days, and at the close $1.70 was demanded. With no great anxiety on the part of sellers to contract, supplies were not coming in as freely as was anticipated, while there were large orders in the market unexecuted. The steamer *Sakura* leads direct for Yokohama.

LABUAN.

The *Straits Times* of the 29th January, publishes the speech of the Governor of Labuan on closing the Legislative Council, and comments very favorably upon the ability and tact with which, under Governor Hennessy's administration, the colony so recently dependent on Imperial support should now be able to show a balance on the credit side of its budget. This is due in great measure to the astonishing increase in the value of the revenue farms, but, on the other hand, the duties have been taken off Gambier and Salt. The success of the coal mines, and the facilities offered for coaling Her Majesty's ships, greatly enhance the importance and value of the Colony. The convict force from the Straits are expected to supply sufficient labour for the mines, and there is good reason to anticipate greater prosperity when the intended arrangements for the transit from the mines, and loading of vessels, are carried out.

SHIP ON FIRE.

The following extract from the log of the *Tsaiwoo*, gives an interesting account of the rescue of a Russian vessel that was on fire on the high seas:—"At 6.30 p.m. of the 31st January, in lat. 5.01 N., long. 95.15.30 E., Pulo Rondo bearing N. 43 W. and Western extreme of Palo Way S. 16 E., I sighted a barque three points on our starboard low, between Pulo Way and the North end of the Island of Sumatra, with Russian ensign flying half-mast. Bore down to her, and made out the signals "I am on fire" and "can you assist me?" At 1.30 p.m. I stopped and sent the mail boat, with the chief officer, on board. The commander of the barque wished to be taken in tow, being afraid to run his vessel on shore on account of the proverbial treachery of the natives, and having been already six days on fire. I consulted with Captain Purvis, R.N., Naval Agent, who coincided with me as to the necessity of towing the vessel to Penang. Accordingly we at once passed a hawser to her, and made 2.20 proceeded full speed on our voyage, arriving at Penang at 9 a.m. of the 2nd February, and then left the vessel close to the mud bank, where she was to be cutted. The vessels name was the "Konst. of Finland, from Hull, bound to Rangoon, coal laden.

HYDROGRAPHIC NOTICE.

The following Hydrographic Notice is published in Saturday's *Gazette*:—

CHINA—EAST COAST.

The following position of a dangerous sunken rock off Tongui Point, the eastern extreme of Hio-cho-chin Bay, by Francis L. Palmer, Navigating Sub-Lieutenant, has been received from Commodore Oliver J. Jones.

(All Bearings are Magnetic.)

Simonada Rock, upon which a steamer of that name struck, lies in nearly mid-channel between Tongui Point and the Tang-ki Rocks. It consists of two or three pinnacle rocks, with only eleven feet on them at low water springs, and 8 and 9 fathoms close to. This dangerous patch is distant 4½ cables from the west extreme of the Tang-ki Rocks, in a N. by W. ¾ W. direction; Tongui Point bearing N.W. by W. ¾ W., and Si-Ki Rock S.W. by W.

No indication of these rocks was afforded by the discoloration of the water, and it is recommended that the passage between Tongui Rocks and the mainland be no longer used for the purposes of navigation.

Hydrographic Office, Admiralty,
London, 26th November, 1869.

POLICE INTELLIGENCE.

BEFORE C. MAY, ESQ.
February, 1924.

ASSAULT.

Joseph Egan, a constable belonging to the Dock Yard, was charged with assaulting a chair-coolie, whom he dragged into the charge-room of the station and accused of refusing to carry him. He was first brought in by two other coolies, who seemed him of being drunk and refusing to pay for their chair. As he was a constable, he was released by Inspector Gray (though he was drunk), and the coolies were furnished with his address. He immediately went out and brought in the third coolie, who had nothing to do with the business.

He was fined a dollar.

FAN-TAN.

Three men, caught playing at "fan-tan" in the street, were identified by the police as old offenders. Convinced that they were habitual gamblers, his Worship sent them all to gaol for fourteen days, with hard labour, and promised them more next time.

Several other gamblers were convicted, having been arrested by various clever strikes on the part of the police. Two, who were shown to have been "teaching the young idea how to" gamble, were sentenced to 48 hours' solitary confinement on rice and water. Others were variously punished according to their deserts.

DANGEROUS OLD PARTY.

An old woman, 71 years old, was charged with assaulting a cash now in Hospital with a piece of wood, so as to cause a serious fracture of his arm. The man would not be able to attend for fifteen days, and the old woman was remanded for a week. She was admitted to bail in two householders $100 each.

FORTUNE-TELLING.

An old fortune-teller, who was waiting for a lucky day to commence business, was arrested, and fined $1 for obstructing the street with his miscellaneous prophetical instruments. He promised to leave the colony if he should be set at liberty, so he was fined 25 cents upon this understanding.

UNLAWFUL POSSESSION.

Cheung-a-chee was seen by a hawker offering a certain iron crow-bar for sale at various shops, and when asked by the latter where he had obtained it, refused to tell him. He informed the court, however, that he bought it for 30 cents at Taipingshan, and further that he had curiously forgotten the name of the shop.

He was convicted for unlawful possession, and fined 20s., or fourteen days' hard labour.

SUPREME COURT.

IN CHAMBERS.

BEFORE CHIEF-JUSTICE SMALE.

Hayllar v. Compton & Ecomple and others.

The arguments in this case were resumed on Saturday.

His Lordship asked Mr. Hayllar whether the defendants intended to give up any of the goods mentioned in the schedule of the bill of sale.

Mr. Hayllar said they claimed all except those that the Chinese Council had decided to take away from them; so that para. 11 and 13, referring to the goods stopped in transitu, were entirely out of the schedule now. No doubt they were intended originally to pass, but it was since decided that they were not available as assets. Defendants' argument was that, as a matter of fact, these goods did not pass to them, whatever was the intention.

Mr. Hayllar then reinforced his arguments, and quoted *Gibson v. Beale*, 3 Scott, p. 229, and one or two other cases in support of them. In commenting upon the last, he laid stress upon the necessity of the element of an intent to evade the Bankruptcy Laws, entering into a case of fraudulent preference, and urged that there was no evidence of such an intent in the action of Lyall, Still & Co. He then summed up his arguments as follows: "The deed was not a voluntary assignment made in contemplation of bankruptcy—not voluntary, because pressure was exerted; not in contemplation of bankruptcy, because it was done as the best way to tide over difficulties; it was not to defeat and delay creditors, because it was not an assignment of the whole property with a view to compromise, but was an assignment after consultation with the creditors, and for the benefit of them all; it was not done with the intent of defeating the legitimate claims of the people. The demands which he made were so just, and at the same time to moderate, as to commend themselves to the people's own sense of right; and though, if less freely demanded, they would probably have been refused or evaded, having been accorded to, the self-complacency of the Chinese has led them at times to mistake such evidences of their own liberality for weakness, and to refuse to pay the fair dealing;—as if, forsooth, the policy had emanated from themselves. The good discipline, too, of our troops, has often been commented on by the Chinese; and their conduct has been very favorably contrasted with that of the native soldiers. As to the words gladly opine that not a few of them would gladly welcome the recurrence of a similar sojourn.

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Several other gamblers were convicted, having been arrested by various clever strikes on the part of the police. Two, who were shown to have been "teaching the young idea how to" gamble, were sentenced to 48 hours' solitary confinement on rice and water. Others were variously punished according to their deserts.

NOBLE SPORTING MEN.

(" *Yeast*," in *Calcutta Englishman*.)

The new Marquis of Westminster, undeterred by the fate of other noblemen who have attempted to match their amateur smartness against the sharp wits and sharper practices of professional betting men, is about to go on the Turf, and it is said that he has purchased Blue Gown from Sir Joseph Hawley for 5,000 guineas, as a commencement. If any man in England can stand the game that does not pay for the candles, the Marquis ought to, for he has an income of about half a million a year, and this is rapidly increasing as the building leases of Belgravia expire. It is said that, in another fifty years, the inheritor of the estates will be worth a million per annum; rather too much for one man, I think. Lord Justice Giffard has reversed the decision that the Duke of Newcastle, being a peer, is not subject to the Bankruptcy Laws, and has decided that the Duke is just as amenable to the laws as other debtors. The question, which is of the utmost importance, is to go before the Judicial Committee of the House of Lords for final decision.

Another nobleman, Lord Thomas Clinton, lately bankrupt, is endeavouring to earn an honest livelihood as the Secretary of exclusive Restaurant and Eating-house, to be called the "Cleveland and Beefsteak Club" which is to be started in order to provide supplies, after legitimate hours, for those who delight in hearing the chimes at night. He might have chosen a more respectable profession than that of the keeper of an aristocratic Slap Bang, but still it is a move in the right direction, and better than living on the largesse of relations or the sufference of West End tradesmen.

THE STEAM BELT AROUND THE WORLD.

Rev. Dr. Todd, in his California book, closes a notice of the Pacific Railroad with this portrayal of the completed steam belt around the world, and its influences upon civilization:

It was the last link needed to felt the globe. You leave New York by steam to Liverpool; by steam on land you grip through France; by steam you go from France, on the water, to Alexandria; from Alexandria, on rail, steam takes you to Suez; from Suez to China or Japan, on water, by steam; from China to San Francisco by steam; and now again the last link is supplied—overland by rail to New York, about one-sixth of the whole distance by this new channel. Now the couriers of civilization can go round the earth in three months. And this earth-born daughter of strength winds her way, as we should expect, among and through the highest and most civilized nations of the earth. There is England, a hive of industry on a little earth-spot in the ocean, made brilliant by a galaxy of talent, planting her colonies all over the earth, aggressive, massive, the true successor of the Roman power. There is France, with her artistic civilization, the creator and umpire of taste, the queen of fashion, and the wonder in the workmanship of what is beautiful. There is Egypt, a land that ever has been, and ever will be, a puzzle. There is China, with its immovable, half civilization, shibboleth bar time; and old India, waiting for the British people to do for her what she cannot do for herself; and here is the New World, working out for the human race the great problem of human government, individual freedom, the highest civilization, and the problem of human responsibilities, and aspirations, and achievements—this New World having been the last nation to take the torch of freedom directly from the hand of God, and in the best possible position to hold it up in the presence of the earth; and here is the Church of God, sublimated and set free from the materialism of past ages, and leaning on the breast of her Beloved as no church ever did before.—*Alta California.*

SOLDIERS' WIVES.

It has been proved, the *Broad Arrow* says, beyond doubt, that a surprisingly many hundreds of poor girls are beguiled into marriage by soldiers who do not possess the slightest means of supporting them, and when a regiment makes a change of station, wives and families by the dozen are left behind to support themselves as best they can. But as the state of things now stands in England, in Scotland the condition of the miserable wretch who has contracted an incautious marriage has not as an alternative, recourse to the contracting of these unhappy unions. Only a short time ago a case occurred in the north, which was so disastrous in its results as to be made the subject of a special report to the War Office. A battery of artillery serving at a Scotch town was suddenly ordered away, and when it left, 120 women who came forward as wives. All these women, excepting only eight or nine married "with leave," had to be left behind, and those unfortunate creatures, with their children, either returned to their families or had to seek shelter in the workhouse. Of course great distress ensued; indeed, in most instances the soldiers never saw their wives again. This case, the report stated, was by no means a solitary one, but that the same thing continually happened in Scotch towns on a regiment changing its quarters. It is, we admit, difficult to suggest any remedy for this evil which all will agree is a cruel one indeed; but if only for the reason that no scheme for mitigating it has yet been tried, it becomes the duty of the authorities to take the matter in hand. Committees have before now met and discussed questions of much less importance than this, and half a dozen intelligent and experienced officers might well be associated to inquire into the subject, and see what can be done to remedy the unfortunate consequences of the regulations now in force relating to the marriage of soldiers. The question is well worthy of consideration, and in the name of very humanity should not be allowed to rest in the present unsatisfactory condition.

AMUSING RESPONSE TO THE TOAST OF "THE LADIES."

The American humorist and journalist, Mr. Mark Twain, was selected to respond to the toast of "The Ladies," at the Newspaper Correspondents' Club dinner recently held at Washington. He said, in part, that remarks depreciatory of ladies, coming from a man who had been selected to respond to the toast, he said—Mean intelligencies cannot estimate what we owe to woman. She sews on our buttons, mends our clothes, she ropes us in at church fairs, she confides in us, she tells us whatever she can find out about the little private affairs of the neighbours. (Laughter.) She gives us advice and plenty of it, she gives a piece of her mind sometimes, and sometimes all of it. (Laughter.) Wherever you place woman she is an ornament to that place which she occupies. And so cheerfully have been unmistakably indicated during the year. There is, perhaps, no more delicate criterion of the former, than the willingness or reluctance of parents to send their children to our schools. Both our boys' and girls' schools have been well attended, and we have had to refuse children for want of accommodation. As to the more educated classes, we had satisfactory indications of their feelings during the literary examinations of last autumn. It will be remembered that Mr. Mathieu arranged that our return should be at the invitation of the Prefect and District Magistrates; and also that he secured for us a stone tablet bearing a proclamation from the Prefect stating that we were there with the consent and approval of both local and foreign authorities. By this admirable diplomacy, he not only conclusively set at rest all question of our right to be here, but also, with a delicate appreciation of the feelings of the natives, placed us in the position of invited guests, when otherwise our mere presence might have galled them, as an evidence of their defeat. And this policy has succeeded. Numbers of the literati daily visited us during the examination (as many have done before and since), and appeared fully prepared to reciprocate the courtesies shown to them.

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ARRIVAL OF THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. and O. steamer *Travancore*, Captain Eastley, from Bombay 21st January, Galle 26th, Penang 2nd February, and Singapore 4th, with the London mails of 24-31 Dec., arrived on Saturday. The following are the late telegrams:—

LONDON, January 4th, (Afternoon.)

The Manchester market is very firm. 7 lbs. Shirtings 9s. 3d.; 8¼ lbs., do. 10s. 9d.; 40s. Mule Twist 1s. 4½d. The Liverpool Cotton market is quiet.

LONDON, January 6th, (Noon.)

The steamer *Leith*, drawing 17½ feet, has passed through the Suez Canal; the steamer is bound for Bombay.

LONDON, 6th January (Afternoon.)

The Bank of England returns for the week ending yesterday show the following results:—Reserve of Notes, £28,375,000; Bills discounted, £20,250,000; Cash, £19,125,000.

LONDON, 7th January, (Noon.)

The Liverpool cotton market is quiet. Weekly cotton report,—Total Sales, 68,000 bales; total sales, Surats, 32,000; total imports, Surats, 9,000; total stock, 852,000 bales, total stock, Surats, 165,125 bales. Fair Dholleras, 9¼d.

LONDON, January 8th, (Afternoon.)

Enfaced Rupee Paper,—4 per cents, 81½; 5 per cents, 105½; 5½ per cents, 110½. Bank Shares,—Oriental Bank £31 10s.; Chartered Bank, £18 10s.; Chartered Mercantile Bank, £31 10s.; Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, £38. Exchange on India, 1s. 11½d. Total Bullion in the Bank of England and Branches, £27,759,000; Total Notes in circulation of both Banks, £31,675,000.

LONDON, 8th January, (Afternoon.)

The steamer *Blue Chow*, bound for Calcutta, has passed through the Suez Canal. The captain reports that the navigation throughout was easy. The following names appear in the obituary of the week:—General Joseph Childs, Colonel T. Blanom, Colonel J. Meter, and General W. Long.

LONDON, 8th January.

The Liverpool cotton market closed quiet. Canada for account 9¾. Oriental Bank Shares £18 10s. Chartered Mercantile Bank Shares £31 10s.

LONDON, 10th January.

Fair Western 8¼d.

LONDON January 10th (Noon).

The battalions ordered to India will not be augmented. Eight companies are to go abroad, while two will remain at the Depot during the intended reductions of regiments on foreign service, and no officer will be transferred to a corps which is proceeding out.

LONDON, 12th January.

In a speech made by Mr Bright yesterday, at Birmingham, he said that the difficulty of the Irish Land Question increased with examination, but he hoped for a satisfactory solution of the subject.

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It is announced that a lengthened and careful examination of the *Goldcrift*, has resulted in the suspension of Mr. Martin, the pilot, for six months. At the expiration of that period a re-examination and production of testimonials will be required before the licence is renewed. His previous good character is alleged as the reason for this lenient treatment, but for all that we must endorse the verdict of *The Times*, that it is "a most inadequate sentence."—*London and China Express.*

The prospectus of the China Submarine Telegraph Company, issues to the public at Chinese rates, with the promise of an ultimate extension of the line from Hongkong to Shanghai, but it was not expected that anything would be done towards this section for some time. The shares sell rapidly, with satisfaction, that immediate action is to be taken, an extraordinary meeting having been called for the 7th January, "for the purpose of authorizing the issue of further capital, and adopting such other measures as may be requisite for the completion of the line of telegraph from Hongkong to Shanghai."—*Ibid.*

Captain G. A. Prince has been promoted to the *Princess Charlotte*, and to hold the post of a Commodore of the Second Class, as naval officer in charge of the British Naval Yard, looking round upon his auditors inquiringly.) The applause ought to come in at this point. (Great laughter.) Look at Cleopatra, look at Desdemona, look at Florence Nightingale, look at Lucretia Borgia, (Voices—"No, no.") The speaker pauses as if in doubt. Well, suppose rather Lucretia Borgia. (Laughter.) Look at Mother Eve—(cries of "Oh, oh," and laughter)—you need not look at her unless you want to—(pause reflectingly)—but Eve was an ornament, partiularly before the fashion changed. (Renewed laughter.) I repeat, look at the illustrious Widow Marree, look at Lucy Stone, look at Elizabeth Stanton, look at George Francis Train—(great laughter)—and, I say it with a bowed head and deep conviction, look at the mother of Washington—she "drugged up" a boy that could not lie. Could not be! It might have been different if he had belonged to a newspaper correspondents' club. (Groans, hisses, cries of "Put him out," and laughter.) I repeat that in whatever position you place a woman she is an ornament to society and a treasure to the world. As a sweetheart, she has no equals and no superiors. (Laughter.) As a cousin, she is convenient; as a wealthy grandmother, with an incurable distemper, she is unspeakably precious. What would the people of this world be without woman? They would be scarce, perfectly scarce. (Renewed laughter.) Then let us cherish her, let us protect her, let us give her our support, our encouragement, our sympathy, ourselves if we get a chance. (Laughter.) But, jesting aside, Mr. President, woman is lovable, kind of heart, gracious, beautiful, worthy of all respect, of all defference. Not any here will refuse to drink her health right cordially in this goblet of wine, for each and every one of us has known, loved, honoured the best of them all, his own mother. (Great applause.)

An electrical child is reported to have died near Lyons. The infant was, it is said, so endowed with electricity, that nobody could enter the room where it was without receiving constant electric shocks. It is stated to have passed away painlessly so far as it was concerned itself, but there is reason to fear that the survivors who attended it must have suffered much, for it is affirmed by the doctors that at the instant of death, luminous effluvia proceeded from its body and continued for several minutes after its decease.

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...Byron scandal has broken out in a fresh ... form in an aggravated form. Dr. Mackay ... published a book under the title of ... Leigh, a history and an autobiography. ... This Medora Leigh appears to have been ... the child of Mrs. Leigh (Augusta, Lord ... sister) the family consisting of seven, ... Georgiana Leigh, the eldest daughter, ... married Mr. Trevanion, and in 1859 Medora, ... then grown of age, went to live with them. ... months afterwards, her ruin was effected ... by her brother-in-law. Mrs. Trevanion ... was greatly exasperated, and we are ... separated from her husband, as she ... married a divorce, and as the cohabitation ... between Mr. Trevanion and Medora ... lived for some years. At one meeting ... took place the sisters. Mrs. Trevanion ... before that although she, Medora, was ... Leigh's daughter, still she was not a ... of Colonel Leigh—and in 1860, Lady ... who had extended continuous charity ... Zora, told the unhappy creature that she ... a child of Lord Byron. Medora then ... received a variety of threatening letters to ... body she could think of likely to purchase ... even to her mother, to whom she wrote ... train which rendered the epistle unfit for ... ation—but she fell destitute of a farthing, ... supported until she died in 1862 by ... Byron. She wrote a biography in the hope ... raising money, and it is this which ... Mackay having got hold of, pub-...

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MISCELLANEOUS.

A young man named Simpson, a waiter in the city, was standing at the top of a staircase taking leave of his sweetheart. He had just said, "Good-Bye, God bless you! if nothing happens I shall see you next Sunday," when he slipped, fell backwards down the staircase, and was picked up dead.

At Aberdeen University recently, the students, during a discussion on the nomination of candidates for the Lord Rectorship, pelted their chairman, Mr. Beattie, with bags of flour and pease-meal, and drove him away. The Maxwellites and Duffites then had a pitched battle for the possession of a flag raised by the former.

Mr. Motley has induced the British Government to consent to the transfer of the negotiations on the *Alabama* question to Washington.

The 5s. duty on dogs now produces above a quarter of a million of money in the year in Great Britain alone, the tax being paid on more than a million dogs. A return just issued gives the number taxed in Great Britain as 1,018,221.

A MODEL STATE.—It is related of General Campbell, the governor of the new territory of Wyoming, that the citizens "didn't do that sort of thing (religious worship) out there very much, though thought there was a sort of 'mestia-busa.'" On the Sunday, however, there was to be a "bust" race, and if he didn't care for that, they had "concluded" to get up a prize fight, at which he could act as judge. All day long committees kept calling, inviting the governor to foot races, dog-fights, cockfights, and other Sunday games peculiar to the frontier, and he found himself worn out and disgusted, his excellency put on his hat, and, accompanied by his staff, walked out to stroll about the city and escape annoyance. Going above the town he quietly entered a graveyard, and was surprised to notice only a few graves since put up, while a large number of boots were seen sticking out of the ground. The Governor inquired what it meant, and a citizen explained to him that when a man was hung by the vigilantes they buried him so as to leave the feet sticking out, while only those who died naturally were buried in the regular way and entitled to grave-stones.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

HONGKONG, MONDAY MORNING.

Nothing of any moment has taken place in the China market during the last two days. The following are the ruling prices, with more sellers than buyers:—New Patna, $633 to $635; New Benares, $510 to $512½, nominal; Old Patna, $530 to $540, little doing; Old Benares, $530 to $533½, nominal; New Patna, 2nd sales, to arrive, $535, little doing; Old Patna, $524½ to $545, with 2nd sales new drug to arrive, little doing; Malwa, $685 to $690, quite nominal, market not opened.

In Raw Cotton sales consist of 37 bales Bombay at $24.10, and 32 bales Bengal at $22.50 per piecul. Sales of Sappanwood have been made to the extent of 100 bags at $6.50, 100 bags at $6.25, 115 bags at $6, 100 bags at $5.90 per piecul. There is scarcely any thing to notice in Imports. The following sales of yarn are reported as having taking place on Friday: sundry lots to arrive amounting to 350 bales, for 16-24 at $140; 70 bales 32-42 at $170, to arrive, and 30 bales on the spot at $175. In shares, the only sales to note are of some Hongkong Fire at $145, 50 offers to sell are made at $1624 each, and $185 for the paid up share.

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Secretaries, pro tem.

2254 Shanghai, 23rd November, 1869.

WHAMPOA BEEF, Shanghai MUTTON, and all table requisites for Family use, AT J. FRISBY & Co.'s, Butchers, Grocers, and Market Compradors, *Store 73, corner of Wellington and Graham Sts. Butcher's Stall, Central Market.*
tf 861 Hongkong, 1st May, 1869.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE interest and responsibility of Mr. S. MAYERS in the firm of BONHAM, MAYERS & Co., ceased from the 20th instant.

The firm will now be conducted under the name and style of
BONHAM & HOEFLICH.
1m 283 Yokohama 24th January, 1870.

NOTICE.

DURING my absence at any time from the Colony, Mr. NIROO MANOMED NATHOO is authorised to sign my name, per procuration.
CASSUMBHOY NATHOO.
1m 180 Hongkong, 27th January, 1870.

NOTICE.

WE have this day established a branch of our House at Hankow.

The business at our Agencies in Tientsin, Kinkiang and Ningpo, will hereafter be conducted in the name of our firm by our recognized Agents in charge.
RUSSELL & Co.
tf 182 China, 1st January, 1870.

NOTICE.

I HAVE established myself at this port as a Ship Broker and Commission Agent.
D. MUNRO.
tf 162 Amoy, January, 1870.

NOTICE.

THE partnership hitherto existing between Mr. WM. ROBERTSON and Mr. PETER GARAIN, under the firm of ROBERTSON & Co. has this day been dissolved.

Mr. PETER GARAIN will sign the firm in liquidation.
1m 14 Ningpo, 31st December, 1869.

THE interest and responsibility of Mr. WILLIAM PROBST in our Firm ceased on the 31st of Dec. 1868, and Mr. OTTO CHRISTIAN BEHN and Mr. JOHANNES P. GOEBEL are admitted Partners therein from this date.

Mr. F. LANCKEN and Mr. C. W. SIEGFRIED, have been authorized to sign our Firm per procuration.
W. PUSTAU & Co.
6m 14 China, 1st January, 1870.

NOTICE.

MR. CESAR EHRMANN, has been duly authorized to sign our firm, per Procuration, from this date.
LANDSTEIN & Co.
tf 15 Hongkong, 1st January, 1870.

NOTICE.

MR. JOHN FALCONER ROBE has been duly authorized to sign our firm, per procuration, from this date until further notice.
H. G. ROBERTSON & Co.
6m 103 Foochow, 1st January, 1870.

NOTICE.

MR. THOMAS H. DE SILVER is admitted a partner in our firm from the 1st of October, 1869.
L. PRICKEL & Co.
tf 2062 Hongkong, 21st October, 1869.

NOTICE.

MR. W. SCOTT FITZ is this day admitted a partner in our firm. Mr. R. S. DANA retires, his interest ceasing on the 31st December last.
RUSSELL & Co.
tf 68 China, 1st January, 1870.

NOTICE.

MR. JOÃO HENRIQUE DOS REMEDIOS is authorized to sign our Firm, per procuration, from this day.
J. J. DOS REMEDIOS & Co.
2m 6 Hongkong, 1st January, 1870.

NOTICE.

MR. W. H. CONDRY, Mr. S. E. HUNTINGTON, Mr. H. C. LOW, and Mr. J. C. HEITMANN, are admitted Partners in our Firm.
SMITH, ARCHER & Co.
2m 13 Hongkong, 1st January, 1870.

NOTICE.

MR. H. N. WARDEN is admitted a partner in our firm from this date.
RUSSELL & Co.
tf 2911 China, 1st December, 1869.

MR. FRITZ RAPP has been duly authorized to sign our firm, per procuration, from this date.
F. BLACKHEAD & Co.
tf 1166 Hongkong, 11th June, 1869.

NOTICE.

I HAVE this day established myself as a Public Accountant, Average Adjuster, and General Commission Agent.
C. LANGHORN DAVIES.
tf 1243 Hongkong, 1st July, 1868.

THE CHINA AND JAPAN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.

APPLICATIONS for Shares in the above Company will be received by the Undersigned until the 15th February, on which date the list will be closed.
WM. PUSTAU & Co.
tf 133 Hongkong, 22nd January, 1870.

THE CHINA AND JAPAN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.

COPIES of the Deed of Settlement, and Forms of Application for Shares in the above Company may now be obtained at the Office of the Undersigned.
WM. PUSTAU & Co.
tf 2310 Hongkong, 7th December, 1869.

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Paid up Capital, TLS. 300,000, OR TLS. 100 PER SHARE.

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Vessels on the Berth.

STEAM TO SWATOW, AMOY, AND FOOCHOW.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamship
"FORMOSA,"
will leave for the above places TO-MORROW, the 15th instant, at 11 A.M.
W. MAGAULAY, *Superintendent.*
P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office.
Hongkong, 12th February, 1870. [d 276

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND FOOCHOW.

THE Steamship
"YESSO,"
Capt. Ashton, will leave for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 15th inst., at noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
d 302 Hongkong, 12th February, 1870.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship
"CHINA,"
Capt. Gardner, will leave for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 17th inst., at 2 P.M.
Despatches will close at 1.30 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
d 275 Hongkong, 9th February, 1870.

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Steamer
"VENUS,"
will have quick dispatch for the above port.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.
270 Hongkong, 8th February, 1870.

FOR SHANGHAI, CHEEFOO, AND TIENTSIN.

THE Steamer
"SIN NANZING,"
will be dispatched from Canton on or about the 14th instant, and from this on or about the 14th instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
Messrs. MESSERN & HULSE, in Canton,
And here to the Undersigned,
JOHN RUED & Co.
212 Hongkong, 2nd February, 1870.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE Ship
"MALAY,"
will have quick despatch for the above port.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.
343 292 Hongkong, 10th February, 1870.

FOR SAIGON.

THE British ship
"BENVENUE,"
Capt. Muirhead, will be dispatched for the above port on the 14th instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
6d 279 Hongkong, 9th February, 1870.

FOR MANILA.

THE d 1 Spanish Brig
"VILLA DE RIVADAVIA,"
Castello, Master, will meet with immediate dispatch for the above port.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
REMEDIOS & Co.
tf 237 Hongkong, 4th February, 1870.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE American ship
"WITCH OF THE WAVE,"
Captain Batchelder, will have quick dispatch for the above port.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.
tf 215 Hongkong, 2nd February, 1870.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE good British ship
"WM. WILSON,"
Captain Welburn, of 948 Tons Register, will have quick dispatch for the above port.
For Freight, apply to
OARLOWITZ & Co.
tf 197 Hongkong, 20th January, 1870.

FOR PORTLAND, OREGON.

THE 4-masted Barque
"HATTIE C. BESSE,"
Captain Besse, will have quick dispatch for the above port.
For Freight or Cabin passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
tf 137 Hongkong, 22nd January, 1870.

FOR SINGAPORE AND BOMBAY.

THE British barque
"SOPHIE,"
Capt. Green, will be dispatched for the above Ports.
For Freight, apply to
SOMJEEBHOY VISRAM.
tf 129 Hongkong, 21st January, 1870.

FOR MELBOURNE AND SYDNEY.

THE well-known A 1 clipper-ship
"ONEIDA,"
Capt. Jamieson, having the greater portion of her cargo engaged, will have immediate dispatch for the above ports.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
CARLOWITZ & Co.
tf 52 Hongkong, 13th January, 1870.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE A 1 British ship
"NIAGARA,"
Capt. Fry, will have quick dispatch as above.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.
tf 104 Hongkong, 17th January, 1870.

FOR SYDNEY.

THE British barque
"ESK,"
Capt. Nobbs, will have quick dispatch for the above ports.
For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
tf 76 Hongkong, 12th January, 1870.

FOR FREIGHT OR CHARTER.

THE new A 1 British Barque
"CHIN CHIN,"
741 Tons Register, 8,500 Piculs capacity.
Ready to load at once. Apply to
EDWARD NORTON,
4, Praya.
tf 288 Hongkong, 10th February, 1870.

FOR FREIGHT OR CHARTER.

THE French Schooner
"JOSEPHINE AMEDEE,"
Capt. Lagarde, of about 3,000 piculs carrying capacity. Apply to
E. & P. DERODE FRERES.
tf 249 Hongkong, 5th February, 1870.

FOR SALE.

THE well-known North German Schooner "*GEORG*," as she now lays here in the harbor, with full rigging and 2 years old copper. Apply to
EDUARD SCHELLHASS & Co.
tf 2172 Hongkong, 17th November, 1869.

SELLING OFF! SELLING OFF!!
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AT COST PRICE.

S. W. BAKER & Co.

BEG to call the attention of the Public to their Entire STOCK-IN-TRADE, which they will sell off from this date, at Cost Price, as their Business positively must be Closed by the 15th March next.

The STOCK include:—

GENTLEMEN'S HOSIERY, HATS, BOOTS, SLIPPERS, SHIRTS, COLLARS, Kid and other GLOVES, SCARFS and Neck TIES, UNDERSHIRTS, UMBRELLAS, Scotch TWEEDS and COATINGS, Linen DRILL and DUCK, UMBRELLAS, STOCKS, Dressing CASES and BAGS, Playing CARDS, &c.

Also,

LADIES' DRESSES, HATS, BONNETS, BOOTS and SLIPPERS, French MERINOS and ALPACA, HOSIERY, RIBBONS, LACES, and MILLINERY and HABERDASHERY of all kinds.

Also,

Table CLOTHS and NAPKINS, Table COVERS, Hearth RUGS, BLANKETS, Irish LINEN, TOWELS, DAMASKS, TOILET COVERS, &c.

And,

A STOCK OF STATIONERY and PERFUMERY, &c., &c., &c.

S. W. BAKER & Co.
tf 92 Hongkong, 15th January, 1870

Vessels Advertised as Loading.

Destination	Vessel's Name	Captain	At	For Freight Apply to	To be Dispatched.
SAN FRANCISCO	Niagara	Fry	Hongkong	Augustine Heard & Co.	Quick dispatch.
Do.	Wm. Wilson	Welburn	Hongkong	Carlowitz & Co.	Quick dispatch.
Do.	Witch of the Wave	Batchelder	Hongkong	Augustine Heard & Co.	Quick dispatch.
Do.	Malay		Hongkong	Augustine Heard & Co.	Quick dispatch.
Do.	Panther	Kilton	Hongkong	Russell & Co.	Quick dispatch.
SYDNEY	Nobbs	Nobbs	Hongkong	Russell & Co.	Quick dispatch.
MELBOURNE & SYDNEY	Jamieson	Jamieson	Hongkong	Rennie & Co.	Quick dispatch.
SINGAPORE AND BOMBAY	Sophie	Green	Hongkong	Somjeebhoy Visram	On the 17th inst., at 2 P.M.
S'PORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	China	Gardner	Hongkong	David Sassoon, Sons & Co.	Quick dispatch.
PORTLAND, OREGON	Hattie C. Besse	Besse	Hongkong	Russell & Co.	Quick dispatch.
Do. Do.	Hermann Doctor	Gray	Hongkong	Russell & Co.	Quick dispatch.
MANILA	Villa de Rivadavia	Castello	Hongkong	Remedios & Co.	Quick dispatch.
SAIGON AND SINGAPORE	Pilar Yama (Ger.)		Hongkong	Augustine Heard & Co.	To-day, at noon.
SAIGON	Benvenue	Muirhead	Hongkong	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	On the 14th inst.
YOKOHAMA	United Service (Str.)	Gulac	Hongkong	Russell & Co.	To-morrow, at 4 P.M.
S'HAI, CHEEFOO & TIENTSIN	Sin Nanzing (Str.)	Drage	Hongkong	John Rued & Co.	About the 14th inst.
SHANGHAI	Venus (Str.)		Hongkong	Augustine Heard & Co.	Quick dispatch.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	Formosa (Str.)		Hongkong	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-morrow, at 11 A.M.
Do. Do. Do.	Yesso (Str.)	Ashton	Hongkong	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	To-morrow, at noon.

For Sale.

SAYLE & Co.,
VICTORIA EXCHANGE,
LINEN DRAPERS, SILK MERCERS,
HOSIERS, HABERDASHERS
MILLINERS, TAILORS,
AND
OUTFITTERS,

Beg to inform the inhabitants of Hongkong and Coast Ports, that their undermentioned Departments are well supplied with the latest designs for the Spring Trade.

DRESSES
In Black and Colored MOIRE, Plain & Fancy
SILKS, POULARDS, POPLINS, &c.
BLACK GLACES.
BLACK GRENADINES AND BAREGES.
In Plain and Fancy.
FRENCH PRINTED MUSLIN AND JACONETS.
WHITE AND FANCY PIQUES.
QUILTINGS.
PRINTED ALPACCAS.
BLACK MERINOS, ALPACCAS, AND PARAMATTAS.

A large lot of
LADIES' & CHILDREN'S STRAW HATS, newest styles.
MILLINERY HATS AND BONNETS, of the fastest fashions.

Dressmaking under the superintendence of a practical
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Every description kept in Stock, from Infant to Ladies' size.
STAYS AND CRINOLINES.

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HOSIERY,
WHITE AND COLORED SOCKS, in every size.
LADIES' HOSIERY,
in White Cotton, Lisle, and Silk.
LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S INDIA GAUZE VESTS.
HABERDASHERY.

LADIES' UMBRELLAS AND PARASOLS.

DRESS AND MANTLE TRIMMINGS.

MUSLINS AND LININGS, of all kinds.

HAIR BRUSHES, SOAP, AND PERFUMERY.

BRANCH HOUSE:
CORNER OF NANKIN AND SZECHUEN ROADS, SHANGHAI.

FOR SALE,
To arrive, per "Isle of the South."
3 BROADWOOD & SONS PIANOFORTES in Solid Mahogany.
1 SEMI-GRAND, 1 COTTAGE-GRAND, 1 COTTAGE (upright.) } Selected for this climate.
For particulars, address A.B.C., care of this paper.
tf 258 Hongkong, 10th February, 1870.

FOR SALE, on board ship Niagara, a quantity of Navy BREAD, BUTTER in firkins, SEBF, TALEALLE, and CURRANTS.
Apply on board.
tf 119 Hongkong, 19th January, 1870.

Per "Overland Mail" and S.S. "Nestor."

MISS ROSE has just received a nice assortment of Ladies' fashionable HATS, FLOWERS, FEATHERS, RUFFLES, Sash RIBBONS, LACE HATS, Small CRINOLINES, Opera HOODS, Children's Woollen JACKETS, GAITERS, COMFORTERS.

And,

A large assortment of WOOLWORK (commenced and finished)—CUSHIONS, SLIPPERS, PIANO and Fender STOOLS, MATS, Embroidered Table COVERS, Hearth RUGS, &c., &c.

Also,

Gentlemen's fashionable HATS (Christy's), Dawson's BOOTS, and Ladies' and Gentlemen's White and Coloured KID GLOVES.
WELLINGTON STREET,
Opposite the Roman Catholic Church.
tf 110 Hongkong, 18th January, 1870.

FOR SALE.

THE Celebrated Racing Ponies "CHALLOS" and "VERTUGADIN."
For particulars, apply to
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
tf 2152 Hongkong, 15th November, 1869.

PHOTOGRAPHIC VIEWS of PEKIN and its Surroundings.
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
tf 2081 Hongkong, 4th November, 1869.

FOR SALE.

CHAMPAGNE, of Jules Mumm & Co. and De St. Marceaux & Co., in qts. and pts.
SHERRY, Chillingworth's, Ritchie, London Club, and other brands.
DRAUGHT ALE, of Allsopp's, Dawson, and Younger.
BOTTLED ALE, of Bass and Allsopp.
STOUT, in quarts and pints.

Also,

Small Invoices of WIRE ROPE, Boiler and Roofing Felt. Apply to
ROB. S. WALKER & Co.
tf 1496 Hongkong, 7th August, 1869.

FOR SALE.

MANILA HARD WOOD, consisting of MOLAVES, BANARAS, ARANGAS, and other descriptions. Apply to
LANDSTEIN & Co.
tf 1502 Hongkong, 12th August 1868.

EX "*GOLDEN STATE.*"
BUTTER, Bokee's BITTERS, Sausage MEAT, CLAMS, CORN, PEAS, BEANS, PEACHES, Cranberry and Apple SAUCE, SUCCOTASH, HOMINY, CORNMEAL, &c., &c.
Handsome American PERAMBULATORS.
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
tf 174 Hongkong, 25th January, 1870.

THE desirable PROPERTY on *Queen's Road*, lately occupied by Messrs. SMITH, KENNEDY & Co.
For particulars, apply to
SMITH, ARCHER & Co.
tf 2088 Hongkong, 10th December, 1867.

For Sale.

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FRESH CALIFORNIAN HAY and OATS.
RUSSELL & Co.
tf 1610 Hongkong, 23rd August, 1869.

FOR SALE.

DRAUGHT PORTER, in Kilderkins.
Apply to
HOWARD HODGES.
tf 1627

J. AND R. TENNENT'S ALE and PORTER.
DAVID CORSAR & SONS' } CANVAS.
Merchant Navy / Navy Boiled / Long Flax / Otown
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
tf 1180 Hongkong, 11th May, 1867.

FOR SALE.

CHAMPAGNE:—
ROEDERER CARTE NOIR.
ROEDERER CARTE BLANCHE.
ROEDERER CARTE BLANCHE DORE.
ROEDERER GLADIATEUR.
SANDER & Co.,
Sole Agents for Hongkong and China.
tf 1694 Hongkong, 3rd September, 1869.

FOR SALE.

39 LOGS Camphor WOOD, Ships' TIMBERS, 11 Ships' HOOPS, Hard and Camphor WOOD.
50 double Ships' KNEES, 24 single do. } Camphor WOOD.
RAYNAL & Co.
tf 2988 Hongkong, 3rd December, 1869.

FOR SALE.

DOMECQ'S SHERRY, bottled by Henry Ritchie.

Pulanco & Co., of Xeres,
DRY AMONTILLADO SHERRY.

Bianchy and Carcone's
CLARET and COGNAC.
Apply to
A. G. HOGG & Co.
tf 214 Hongkong, 27th January, 1869.

1500 TONS best Lump Anthracite COAL, from Pinlon Mine, per *Witch of the Wave.* Apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
tf 74 Hongkong, 12th January, 1870.

FOR SALE.

BEATO'S Japanese VIEWS and COSTUMES.
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
tf 1614 Hongkong, 27th August, 1868.

FOR SALE.

CHEDDAR CHEESE, in Cases.
Hennessy's BRANDY in Cases.
Gutinee's STOUT, in Pints and Quarts.
Bass's PALE ALE, in Pints and Quarts.
CHAMPAGNE ALE.
GUEDES & Co.
tf 90 Hongkong, 14th January, 1870.

WITHAM'S BRANDY in 1 doz. cases.
" SHERRY " 3 " "
" PORT " 3 " "
" CLARET " 3 " "
BIRLEY & Co.

MACEWEN & Co.
Have for Sale, as late arrivals.
PRIME York HAMS. Berkley CHEESE.
Preserved SOUPS and MEATS, in 1, 2, 4, and 6 lbs. Tins.
JAMS and JELLIES, from Grosse & Blackwell.
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Extracts.

English Homes in Town and Country.
II.—AS IT SHOULD BE.—*Continued.*
(Pall Mall Gazette.)

The Gee and the spirit of home life in our large towns have been so weakened that in English families of the upper middle classes their mode of existence is this. The father lives up to, or more frequently beyond, his means to keep up his position in society. The son, in order to appear a greater man than he is among his friends, incurs debts which his father has to discharge. To be able to pay for his son's extravagance, the father cuts down the girls' allowance, and for them to ask him for a very small sum to provide books, music—anything which is not palpably intended to gain a husband, is courtly refused. Then the mother cooks the house-keeping accounts with the object of providing either these intellectual luxuries or new dresses and tickets for amusements for her daughters. The young ladies are not ashamed to accept presents, or indeed, in a manner, to force the young men of their acquaintance to pay for their tickets, cabs, &c: these youths being often ill able to bear the expense, and feeling rebellious in their hearts at the little consideration and the absence of delicacy thus displayed. We are much afraid that in many a family all real home happiness, all sense of honour, to say nothing of honesty, are sacrificed to the passion for appearing richer, more influential and fashionable than their means will allow. A spirit of lawlessness is thus produced, and malcontents exhibit, according to their capacity, rebellion, which is the source of the strong, and conspiracy, which is the refuge of the weak; the young men defy their parents, and the daughters deceive them. And thus it is that our "Miss Lorys" are developed—too numerous, too enterprising, very much to be pitied, not a type to be proud of. There is, of course, a great distinction between the girl who obtains her luxuries and amusements and the means of paying for them by accepting the half wondering attentions of a casual stranger—or who seeks clandestinely the society of men entirely unknown to her—and the girl whose livelihood is her shame; but the degradation in either case is only a question of degree.

This is all very sad, but it is all very true; we have to face this spreading social mischief as it is, and if possible to counteract it. As we have before pointed out, it is comparatively unknown in country life, and we showed why this was so. It may not be in the power of any one to devise a remedy which shall cure it immediately, but some steps may be taken towards a healthier state of things. In the first place there should be more generosity and consideration in our dealings with our girls, more honesty and plain speaking in dealing with our boys, and with both more justice, sympathy, and sincerity in speech and action. It is not surprising that when children perceive that the whole aim of their parents is to impose upon the world they should be ready in their turn to impose upon their parents. In the second place it is a thoroughly bad way to establish a division of society and amusements between the sons and the daughters. The more thorough intimate, and affectionate the intercourse which subsists between brothers and sisters, the better for both, and it is in early life that it can be fostered and strengthened, or the reverse. Our opinion is that the differences in the education, habits, and character of the two sexes make them the best companions for each other, that the most advantageous society for a girl in her amusements is her father or her brother, and the best friend for a boy or a young man his mother or his sister. The old feeling of intense clanship, not unmixed with masculine jealousy, which used to make the male relatives the natural and vigilant guardians of the honour and reputation of the women of the family, should be sedulously encouraged. In the average public schoolboy it is usually largely developed, and it is long before new ideas and the influence of manhood essentially vulgarized can teach him to hear the women of his family lightly spoken of without shame and indignation. There is a time both for boys and girls when it is extremely difficult to prevent a collision with parental authority. It is when they first wish to seek their own companions, to go out without explaining where or why. That period is always best spent at school elsewhere, where a number of others of the same age are under absolute discipline, and where their ease is not one of individual hardship. The amount of indulgence in idleness which makes an English boy merely effeminate makes an English boy actively vicious. Full employment, and no inconsiderable amount of healthy physical fatigue, are the best preventives of many evils of the young and vigorous of both sexes. There can be nothing better than for the holidays of older schoolboys to be occupied by a pedestrian or riding excursion to the lakes or elsewhere. A boy of seventeen is quite able and generally zealous to the protector of his sister a year or two older; and the planning of the route, the small responsibilities incurred, and self-sacrifices mutually made are pleasant memories in time to come, and create a double affection and confidence, of which it is difficult to overrate the value in after-life. And as years advance send them off together to Switzerland or the Rhine, where knowledge of any kind, whether of economy, of man, or physics, geology, or botany, will be appreciated, and the desire for more stimulated. The father should make himself a companion to his daughter, and should try to understand his sons, and to share and sympathize with their pursuits. The boys should accompany their sisters in their walks and rides, and be encouraged to seek the companionship, and rely on the tenderness, of their mother. The finest characters which we have known among women, the most loyal and tolerant, were those who had been most closely associated with their father or brothers; and the men, who are the most noble, patient, and sympathetic, are those who owe much to the nurturing sympathy and wise counsels of a mother, or who have been in intimate and constant contact in the family circle with genial hearted and accomplished women. These may seem small and inadequate remedies, and that they are inapplicable to those who have grown up under the present system we admit; but they are put forward by way of illustrating what we mean; they the principle which they indicate lies at the very root of the evil and must, in one way or other, be carried out, if any reform short of a social revolution is practicable at all.

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IN various Parts of Hongkong. A list of HOUSES with *size, locality* and *rents* can be seen at No. 47, *Wyndham Street.*
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tf 642 Hongkong, 11th March, 1867.

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THE Undersigned will undertake to land Cotton, Rice, Coals, and other Merchandise in their own Boats, and to receive the same on storage in first class GRANITE GODOWNS on moderate terms.
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Insurances.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

SECURITY
SHOULD BE THE FIRST CONSIDERATION IN INSURANCE TRANSACTIONS.

THE Directors of the Royal Insurance Company have the pleasure of supplying the following information to the public, as evidence of the ample security they afford to their assurers:—

THE CAPITAL
of the Company, available for the purpose of meeting any unusual calamity happening to the Assured, is
TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

The amount actually paid up is £288,435. This, with the Accumulated Funds in Hand, makes the invested resources of the Company upwards of ONE MILLION SIX HUNDRED THOUSAND POUNDS, which amount is invested as follows:—

Invested Funds of the Royal Insurance Company, 30th June, 1869.

Real Property owned by the Company	£219,571	11 3
Mortgages on Freehold Property	33,500	0 0
£30,000 Reduced 3 per cent. Consols	28,065	1 3
India Government 5 per cent. Debentures	100,000	0 0
English Railway Debenture Bonds	59,000	17 7
First-class English Railway Preferenceand Guaranteed Stocks	335,476	11 11
Loans to Local Authorities of various towns in Great Britain, who have obtained the sanction of the Secretary of State to borrow the amounts	145,500	12 6
Bonds of the Mersey Docks and Harbour Board	63,341	14 8
Bonds of the British and Irish Magnetic Telegraph Co.	10,000	0 0
Bonds of the Liverpool Corporation	5,100	0 0
United States Government Stocks	101,330	7 10
Canada Bonds and Canada Dominion Stock	31,106	11 6
Short Loans on first-class English Dividend-paying Stocks, with margins from 20 to 50 per cent. on market values	477,195	0 0
Loans on Security of Life Policies	33,938	8 5
	£1,672,356	16 11

The above is a complete list of the Investments of the Company at the date specified, in addition to which the funds are still further increased, by amounts constantly varying at different periods, in the hands of the Bankers and the Company's Agents.

At 31st Dec. 1868, these stood at £168,030 2 0

For the satisfaction of the Public, the whole of the Securities belonging to the Company are annually submitted to the careful scrutiny of two independent Auditors, and the following is an Extract from their Report to the last Annual Meeting:—

"The whole of your Books have been Audited—every Document, every Account, every Voucher, your Bank book, and every Security—all have been most carefully kept, and there is not one doubtful Security in the whole."

THE ACCUMULATIONS OF THE LIFE DEPARTMENT

After payment of Losses, Annuities and Expenses of every description, have been as follows—

Funds in Hand at the last Quinquennial Valuation, 31st Dec. 1864	£621,434 15 5
Added to 31st December, 1865	103,146 7 3
" " " 1866	124,165 7 7
" " " 1867	108,863 5 10
" " " 1868	144,945 12 2
Total Accumulation of the Life Department on 31st December, 1868, exclusive of Shareholders' Capital	£1,102,275 8 7

The Directors also think it desirable to State that THE BUSINESS OF THE "ROYAL" HAS NEVER BEEN AMALGAMATED WITH THAT OF ANY OTHER COMPANY.

And that the LIABILITY of its Shareholders is UNLIMITED.

ROB. S. WALKER & Co., *Agents.*
2173 Hongkong, 6th November, 1869.

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

REDUCTION IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM.

UNTIL further notice the following Annual Rates will be charged for Fire Insurance, viz:—

Detached & semi-detached Dwelling Houses removed from town, and their contents	½	per cent.
Other Dwelling Houses, usefully as such, and their contents	¾	per cent.
Godowns, Offices, Shops, &c., and their contents	1	per cent

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents Imperial Fire Insurance Company
tf 864 Hongkong, 7th March, 1865.

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents of the above Company at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of $60,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored thereon.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
tf Hongkong, 24th August, 1864.

LONDON AND PROVINCIAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Marine risks at current rates.
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.
tf 471 Hongkong, 6th March, 1868.

PHŒNIX FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

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THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents to the above Companies at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of £40,000, on Buildings, or on Goods stored thereon.
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
tf 2096 Hongkong, 8th November, 1869.

OCEAN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LONDON.

INCORPORATED 1859.

CAPITAL, £1,000,000.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to accept Marine Risks and issue Policies at current rates.
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.
tf 1851 Hongkong, 7th June, 1867.

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ESTABLISHED 1843.

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W. MACAULAY, *Agent.*
tf Hongkong, 1st July, 1867.

NOTICE.

IMPERIAL FIRE OFFICE.

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Not exceeding Ten days	⅛	of the annual rate.
Not exceeding 1 month	¼	do. do.
Above 1 month, and not exceeding	⅓	do. do.
Above 2 months, and not exceeding	½	do. do.
Above 3 months and not exceeding	⅔	do. do.
Above 6 months the full annual rate.		

GILMAN & Co., *Agents,*
North British and Mercantile Insurance Company.
tf 696 Hongkong, 7th April 1868.

Insurances.

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INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER
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HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
tf 146 Hongkong, 25th January, 1868.

LONDON ASSURANCE CORPORATION

LIFE ASSURANCES.

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HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
tf 1959 Hongkong, 15th October, 1868.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai, and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at Current Rates.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
tf 1958 Hongkong, 15th October, 1868.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE CORPORATION.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in China for the above CORPORATION are prepared to grant FIRE and MARINE INSURANCE on the usual terms.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
tf 2092 Hongkong, 27th December, 1867.

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ROBT. S. WALKER & Co.
tf Hongkong, 5th October, 1863.

MERCHANTS' MUTUAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY OF SAN FRANCISCO.

ENGAGED EXCLUSIVELY IN MARINE INSURANCE.
Paid up Capital—$500,000.00.

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OLYPHANT & Co.
tf 1992 Hongkong, 2nd July, 1869.

NOTICE.

SUN FIRE OFFICE.

FROM and after this date the following rates will be charged on SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding 1 month	1 of the annual rate	
Above 1 month but not exceeding	¾	do. do.
Above 3 months but not exceeding	½	do. do.
Above 6 months the full annual rate.		

A. G. HOGG & Co.,
Agents, Sun Fire Office.
tf 676 Hongkong, 9th June, 1868.

NOTICE.

FROM and after this date the following rates will be charged for SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—

For exceeding Ten days	⅛	of the annual rate
Not exceeding 1 month	¼	do. do.
Above 1 month, and not exceeding three months	⅓	do. do.
Above 3 months, and not exceeding six months	½	do. do.
Above six months the full annual rate.		

GILMAN & Co.,
Agents, Alliance Fire Assurance Company.
tf 678 Hongkong, 26th August, 1868.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

REDUCTION IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM.

Detached & semi-detached Dwelling Houses, removed from town, and their contents. ½ per cent.
Other dwelling Houses used entirely as such, and their contents. ¾ "
Godowns, Offices, Shops, &c., and their contents. 1 "

GILMAN & Co.,
Agents, North British and Mercantile Insurance Company.
tf 886 Hongkong, 10th March, 1865.

HONGKONG INSURANCE COMPANY, 1868.

THE undersigned having been appointed Agents of the above Company, are prepared to issue Marine Policies on the usual terms to the extent of £10,000, on any first class risk.
A. G. HOGG & Co.
tf 538 Hongkong, 17th March, 1869.

DE OOSTERLING
SEA AND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF BATAVIA.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above-named Company, are prepared to grant Policies against Sea Risks on the usual terms.
SIEMSSEN & Co.
tf 1669 Hongkong, 1st August, 1868.

FORBES & CO'S CONSTITUENTS INSURANCE COMPANY,
AND
BOMBAY INSURANCE COMPANY

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Companies, are prepared to accept risks on the usual terms.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
tf 399 Hongkong, 26th February, 1868.

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE CO.

FOR Insuring Houses and other Buildings, Goods, Wares, Merchandise, Manufacturing and Refining Stock, Ships in Port, Harbours, or Dock, and the Cargoes of such Ships; also, Ships Building and Repairing; Barges and other Vessels on Navigable Rivers and Canals, and Goods on board such Vessels, throughout Great Britain and Ireland, and in FOREIGN COUNTRIES, FROM LOSS OR DAMAGE BY FIRE.

The Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE to the extent of $60,000 on any one First Class Risk.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1867.

Insurances.

PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY, SAN FRANCISCO.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant POLICIES against Fire on Buildings and Goods, at current rates.
RUSSELL & Co.
tf 306 Hongkong, 7th February, 1867.

PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY OF SAN FRANCISCO.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in China for the above INSURANCE COMPANY, are prepared to grant Policies covering Marine Risks at the Current Rates.
RUSSELL & Co.
tf 573 Hongkong, 2nd March, 1867.

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POLICIES granted on *Marine Risks* to all parts of the World, at current rates.

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Not exceeding 1 month	¼	do do
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Not exceeding 10 days	⅛	per cent.
Not exceeding 1 month	¼	"
Above 1 month, and not exceeding	⅓	"
Above 3 months, and not exceeding	½	"
Above 6 months, the full annual rate of	1	"

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